

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Behavioral Health	(2) MEETING DATE 10/7/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Cindy Collins, ASM, 788-2932; Amy Olson ASO II, 781-4729	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a FY 2014-15 renewal contract with County Office of Education in the amount not to exceed \$30,000 under which the County will provide on-site support in addition to educationally related mental health services in the District's special education classes. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve and direct Chairperson to sign a FY 2014-15 renewal contract with County Office of Education (COE) in the amount not to exceed \$30,000 under which the County will provide on-site support in addition to educationally related mental health services in the District's special education classes.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) COE, SELPA, Medi-Cal	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$30,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$30,000.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT { X } Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est. ____) { } Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Resolutions { X } Contracts { } Ordinances { } N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A { } 4/5 Vote Required { X } N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY { } N/A Date: <u>8-13-2013</u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Reviewed by Leslie Brown			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director
Anne Robin, LMFT, Behavioral Health Administrator

DATE: 10/7/2014

SUBJECT: Request to approve a FY 2014-15 renewal contract with County Office of Education in the amount not to exceed \$30,000 under which the County will provide on-site support in addition to educationally related mental health services in the District's special education classes. All Districts.

RECOMMENDATION

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DISCUSSION

Under Federal law, special education students who require educationally related mental health services in order to benefit from their education are entitled to receive mental health services as part of their right to a free appropriate public education.

Previously under California law, the local county mental health plans were mandated through Government Code 7570, also known as AB 3632, to provide educationally related mental health services. Effective October 8, 2010, responsibility to ensure special education students receive these services fell to local school districts and their local Special Education Local Planning Areas (SELPA), the State-designated regional entity responsible for overseeing and supporting the delivery of services to special education children. The County has a separate contract with San Luis Obispo SELPA, which your Board approved on July 8, 2014, to facilitate coordination and funding for all educationally related mental health services provided throughout all of San Luis Obispo County.

COE has requested the County continue to provide educationally related mental health services for their special education students. The contract facilitates a team approach with school staff and County staff to provide support and coordination to serve each child's needs as identified on their Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Staff from County Behavioral Health will provide individual therapy and rehabilitation, group and family therapy, case management and consultation services, and crisis intervention. Services will be provided at the San Luis Obispo Community School and the Grizzly Challenge Charter School.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the contract as to form and legal effect.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The FY 2014-15 Approved Budget includes the costs associated with providing educationally related mental health services to children with an eligible IEP. When the educationally related mental health services are provided, all appropriate payor sources, such as Medi-Cal, Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT), and other Special Education funding are submitted for reimbursement. SELPA pays the match component as required by Medi-Cal and any unreimbursed cost associated with the service.

Since the school district is interested in having staff on-site the entire school day, the School District will provide reimbursement to the County for any unreimbursed costs that were not provided by SELPA for educationally related

mental health services. This would equate to any time staff or contractor was present but did not provide a specific mental health service that is billable to Medi-Cal or third party payor. The potential reimbursement amount stipulated in the contract for FY 2014-15 is \$30,000. Typically, contract negotiations do not begin until early summer, when school districts are confident about funding, and are historically not finalized until later summer or early fall.

RESULTS

Behavioral Health Staff and the school district will be assessing current performance measures during the year to determine if more meaningful data can be collected and reported in the future. The maximum number of students (Target) for whom services may be provided during the year is 3-5 per school at one time, however, only those students eligible to receive services will be receive mental health services.

COE Mental Health Services Outputs and Outcomes					
Year	2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Target	2013-14 Actual	2014-15 Target
<i>San Luis Obispo Community School</i>					
Clients Served	16	13	3-5*	12*	3-5*
# Medi-Cal/EPSTD Funded Clients	12	12	3-5*	10*	3-5
% Youth Remain in Current Home Environment during the year	100%	100%	80%	100%	80%
% Youth Avoiding Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization	100%	100%	80%	100%	80%
% Increase in Average School Attendance over previous year	N/A**	13%	10%	15%	10%
% Decrease in School Suspensions over previous year	N/A**	24%	10%	23%	10%
<i>Grizzly Challenge Charter School</i>					
Clients Served	4	1	3-5*	0*	3-5*
# Medi-Cal/EPSTD Funded Clients	3	1	3-5*	0*	3-5
% Youth Remain in Grizzly Academy residential program during the year	100%	100%	80%	N/A	80%
% Youth Avoiding Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization	100%	100%	80%	N/A	80%
% Decrease in Aggression, Suicidal Ideation and/or Depression	N/A**	94%	80%	N/A	80%
% Youth Increasing GPA by 1.0 while in the program	N/A**	100%	80%	N/A	80%

* 3-5 clients at any one time in each school; client may not stay for entire year.

** FY 2011-12 was the first year for the programs.

The primary goal of the collaborative efforts is to help children remain in their homes and the community, while receiving the most appropriate education. The educationally related mental health services provided under these contracts with SELPA and COE are part of a larger continuum of care that aims to improve the quality of life of those served. Providing the most appropriate services to the clients increases the probability of positive treatment outcomes. Furthermore, positive treatment outcomes contribute to the wider County vision of a healthy and safe community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. COE FY 14-15 MHS Contract Renewal